State of Alaska FY2003 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Health and Social Services
Catastrophic and Chronic Illness Assistance (AS 47.08)
BRU/Component Budget Summary

BRU/Component: Catastrophic and Chronic Illness Assistance (AS 47.08)

(There is only one component in this BRU. To reduce duplicate information, we did not print a separate BRU section.)

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Component Mission

To maintain access to health care and to provide health coverage for Alaskans in need.

Component Services Provided

The Chronic Acute Medical Assistance (CAMA) program provides a limited package of health services to those individuals with chronic medical conditions who do not qualify for the Medicaid program. CAMA benefits are only available to low-income persons with an immediate need for medical care who are unable to secure other private or public assistance. The program has income limits of less than \$300 per month and resource limits of less than \$500 with the exception of a home and a vehicle.

The CAMA program served 1,721 individuals in FY01. These Alaskans received benefits that include prescription drugs, limited physician visits and limited hospital care.

Component Goals and Strategies

To provide Alaskans in need with access to the same broad range of medical care through the same network of medical care providers who provide services to the general population, and to conduct medical surveillance that assures medical services provided are appropriate and of the proper amount, duration, and scope.

Key Component Issues for FY2002 – 2003

For FY02, CAMA is challenged with providing necessary medical services to Alaskans who do not qualify for Medicaid within a 7 percent funding reduction. This follows FY01 where CAMA costs increased at a rate of 17 percent and the number of eligible Alaskans increased by 25 percent.

The division is using, and will continue to use appropriate management measures to provide the required services to Alaskans in need within the appropriation level for FY02 and FY03.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2001

The Division of Medical Assistance, through the CAMA program, was able to meet the acute medical needs of an increased number of needy Alaskans under the appropriated levels of funding in FY01.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

Alaska Statutes:

AS 47.07 Medical Assistance for Needy Persons

AS 47.08 Assistance for Catastrophic Illness and Chronic or Acute Medical Conditions

AS 47.25 Public Assistance

Social Security Act: Title XVIII Medicare Title XIX Medicaid Title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program

Administrative Code: 7 AAC 43 Medicaid 7 AAC 48 Chronic and Acute Medical Assistance

Code of Federal Regulations: Title 42 CFR Part 400 to End

Key Performance Measures for FY2003

Measure:

Please refer to Medical Assistance BRU Performance Measures.

Catastrophic and Chronic Illness Assistance (AS 47.08) Component Financial Summary

All dollars in thousands

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Formula Program:	FY2001 Actuals	FY2002 Authorized	FY2003 Governor			
Component Expenditures:						
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0			
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0			
73000 Contractual	3.3	0.0	0.0			
74000 Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.0			
75000 Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0			
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0			
77000 Grants, Claims	4,301.1	4,000.0	4,000.0			
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0			
Expenditure Totals	4,304.4	4,000.0	4,000.0			
Funding Sources:						
1004 General Fund Receipts	4,304.4	4,000.0	4,000.0			
Funding Totals	4,304.4	4,000.0	4,000.0			

Catastrophic and Chronic Illness Assistance (AS 47.08) Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2003

No changes have been made to the services provided under CAMA for FY03.

Summary of Component Budget Changes

From FY2002 Authorized to FY2003 Governor

All dollars in thousands

	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
FY2002 Authorized	4,000.0	0.0	0.0	4,000.0
FY2003 Governor	4,000.0	0.0	0.0	4,000.0